

Psalm 7:17

I will praise the Lord according to his righteousness, and will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High.

The Hebrew word used here for praise is yadah. Yadah means to use (i.e. hold out) the hand; physically, to throw (a stone, an arrow) at or away; especially to revere or worship with extended hands.

Zamar is the Hebrew word translated “sing praises.” It means to touch the strings or parts of a musical instrument, i.e. play upon it; to make music, accompanied by the voice; hence to celebrate in song and music.

Lord is the Hebrew word Yehovah or Jehovah which means self-Existent or Eternal. Most high is the Hebrew word elyown which means supreme.

This verse might be translated this way: I will worship Jehovah with extended hands because of his righteousness and will celebrate the name of Jehovah the Supreme with music and song.

The Amplified Bible renders it this way: *I will give to the Lord the thanks due to his rightness and justice, and I will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High.*

Scripture references:

Psalm 9:2

I will be glad and rejoice in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Psalm 66:1-2

Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth! Sing out the honor of his name; Make His praise glorious.

Psalm 66:4

All the earth shall worship you and sing praises to You; They shall sing praises to your name.

Psalm 71:15-16

My mouth shall tell of your righteousness and your salvation all the day, for I do not know their limits. I will go in the strength of the Lord God; I will make mention of your righteousness, of yours only.